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Enclosed Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/648,346 Attorney Docket No.: YOR920030106US1

Our Reference:

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Dear Examiner Crane:

Enclosed is an Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement responsive to the January 13, 2005 Office Action, which we request that you enter and which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

Frederick E. Cooperrider Registration No. 36,769

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METHOD THEREFOR

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Election/Restrictions Requirement in the Office Action dated January 13, 2005, please amend the above-identified Application as follows and consider the response in the Remarks section herein: